TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1838 - SB 1838

January 28, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the Governor's sole appointing authority for the nine members of the State Board of Education (SBE) and divides the appointing authority among the Speakers of the Senate and House of Representatives and the Governor. Establishes a confirmation process for members appointed to serve on the board beginning July 1, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-301(a)(3), the Governor appoints all nine board members, which are subject to confirmation by the Senate and the House of Representatives.
- The proposed legislation divides the appointing authority as follows:
 - The Speaker of the Senate will appoint members from the 1st, 4th, and 7th congressional districts;
 - The Speaker of the House of Representatives will appoint members from the 2nd, 5th, and 8th congressional districts; and
 - The Governor will appoint members from the 3rd, 6th, and 9th congressional districts.
- The proposed legislation further requires that appointed members be confirmed by joint resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives no later than 90 calendar days after the General Assembly next convenes in regular session following the appointment.
- The Governor and Speakers of the Senate and the House of Representatives will be able to appoint members to serve on the board within existing resources.
- The General Assembly will be able to confirm appointments during the regular session and normal course of business.
- Any impact to state expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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